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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. ARMEY].

### DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 26, 1995.

I hereby designate the Honorable RICHARD K. ARMEY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

We pray, O God, that our words of hope and our vision for justice will connect with our deeds, that our faith will be active in love, that all that we say with our lips, we will believe in our hearts, and all that we believe in our hearts we will practice in our daily lives. Teach each person, O God, to relate words and deeds so may we have fidelity of character and sincerity of purpose in what we say and in what we do. This is our earnest prayer. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, without objection, the Journal stands approved.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I did not plan to ask for a vote or object, but I would like to use this occasion to reserve the right to object to inquire of the Chair as to whether or not there

will be a limit on the number of 1-minutes today. That is the only purpose.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Missouri [Mr. VOLKMER] should be advised that the Chair will entertain 20 1-minutes from each side of the aisle.

Mr. VOLKMER. I thank the Chair, and I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Rhode Island [Mr. KENNEDY] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain 20 1-minutes per side.

### SENATE MESSAGE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Hallen, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed a bill of the following title, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 273. An act to amend section 61h-6 of title 2, United States Code.

The message also announced that pursuant to sections 42 and 43 of title 20, United States Code, the Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, reappoints Mr. MOYNIHAN to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

### THE CONTRACT WITH AMERICA

(Mr. BONO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BONO. Mr. Speaker, our Contract With America states, on the first day of Congress, a Republican House will:

Force Congress to live under the same laws as everyone else; cut one-third of committee staff; and cut the congressional budget. We have done that.

In the next 78 days, we will vote on the following 10 items:

No. 1, a balanced budget amendment and line-item veto;

No. 2, a new crime bill to stop violent criminals;

No. 3, welfare reform to encourage work, not dependence;

No. 4, family reinforcement to crack down on deadbeat dads and protect our children;

No. 5, tax cuts for families to lift Government's burden from middle-income Americans;

No. 6, national security restoration to protect our freedoms;

No. 7, Senior Citizens' Equity Act to allow our seniors to work without Government penalty;

No. 8, Government regulation and unfunded mandate reforms;

No. 9, commonsense legal reform to end frivolous lawsuits; and

No. 10, Congressional term limits to make Congress a citizen legislature.

This is our Contract With America.

### URGING PASSAGE OF THE BALANCED BUDGET AMENDMENT WITH THE SUPERMAJORITY PROVISION

(Mr. SOUDER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

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